CLAIMS

The invention is claimed as follows:

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- 1. A dialysis solution comprising:
- a first acidic solution including a dextrose concentrate; and
- a second acidic solution including a buffer concentrate wherein the first acidic solution and the second acidic solution are admixed to form a ready-to-use dialysis solution.
- 2. The dialysis solution of Claim 1 wherein the dextrose concentrate includes dextrose, calcium chloride, and magnesium chloride.
 - 3. The dialysis solution of Claim 1 wherein the buffer concentrate includes a lactate-based concentrate.
- 15 4. The dialysis solution of Claim 1 wherein the second acidic solution has a pH of less than about 5.5.
 - 5. The dialysis solution of Claim 1 wherein the ready-to-use dialysis solution includes about 1.5% to about 4.25% of dextrose.
 - 6. The dialysis solution of Claim 1 wherein the ready-to-use dialysis solution includes sodium and about 2.5 mEq/L to about 3.5 mEq/L of calcium.
- 7. The dialysis solution of Claim 1 wherein the ready-to-use dialysis solution includes about 40 mEq/L of lactate.
 - 8. A two part peritoneal dialysis solution comprising:
 a first part including an acidic concentrate that includes dextrose; and
 a second part including a lactate-based buffer concentrate having a pH of less
 than 7.0 wherein the first part and the second part are admixed prior to infusion into a
 patient.

- 9. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 8 wherein the pH of the first part ranges from about 2.8 to about 3.8.
- 10. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 9 wherein the pH of the first part ranges from about 3.0 to about 3.5.
 - 11. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 8 wherein the acidic concentrate further includes calcium chloride and magnesium chloride.
- 10 12. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 8 wherein the lactate-based buffer concentrate has a pH that ranges from about 5.0 to about 5.5.
- 13. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 8 wherein the acidic concentrate includes about 30.0 g/L to about 85.0 g/L of dextrose, calcium chloride dihydrate, and magnesium chloride hexahydrate.
 - 14. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 13 wherein the acidic concentrate includes about 7.0 mEq/L of calcium.
- 20 15. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 13 wherein the acidic concentrate includes about 5.0 mEq/L of calcium.
 - 16. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 8 wherein the lactatebased buffer concentrate includes sodium chloride and sodium lactate.
 - 17. A two part peritoneal dialysis solution comprising:

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- a first part housed in a first structure, the first part including an acidic dextrose concentrate; and
- a second part housed in a second structure, the second part including an acidic buffer concentrate wherein the first part and the second part are separately sterilized and admixed to form a ready-to-use peritoneal dialysis solution.

18. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 17 wherein the first part and the second part are stored in a multi-chamber container including the first structure and the second structure adaptedly coupled such that the first part and the second part are capable of mixing to form the mixed solution prior to infusion into the patient.

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- 19. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 17 wherein the first structure and the second structure each include a solution bag capable of being coupled to an admix device allowing mixing of the first part and the second part to form the mixed solution.
- 20. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 17 wherein the ready-to-use peritoneal dialysis solution includes about 1.5% to about 4.25% of dextrose.
- 15 21. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 20 wherein the readyto-use peritoneal dialysis solution further includes sodium, calcium, chloride, magnesium and lactate.
- 22. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 17 wherein the acidic dextrose concentrate includes dextrose, calcium chloride and magnesium chloride at a pH ranging from about 2.8 to about 3.8.
 - 23. The two part peritoneal dialysis solution of Claim 17 wherein the acidic buffer concentrate includes a lactate-based buffer at a pH less than about 5.5.
 - 24. A method of producing a dialysis solution, the method comprising the steps of:

formulating an acidic concentrate and a buffer concentrate having a pH of less than 7.0 wherein the acidic concentrate at least includes dextrose;

separately sterilizing the acidic concentrate and the buffer concentrate; and mixing the acidic concentrate and the buffer concentrate.

25. The method of Claim 24 wherein the acidic concentrate and the buffer concentrate are each housed in a respective chamber of a multi-chambered container adaptedly coupled such that the acidic concentrate and the lactate-based buffer concentrate can be mixed within the multi-chambered container.

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26. The method of Claim 24 wherein the acidic concentrate and the buffer concentrate are each housed in a respective solution bag each capable of being coupled to an admix device allowing mixing of the acidic concentrate and the lactate-based buffer concentrate.

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- 27. The method of Claim 24 wherein the acidic concentrate has a pH ranging from about 2.8 to about 3.8.
- 28. The method of Claim 24 wherein the acidic concentrate further includes calcium chloride and magnesium chloride.
 - 29. The method of Claim 24 wherein the buffer concentrate includes a lactate-based concentrate at a pH that ranges from about 5.0 to about 5.5.
- 20 30. A method of modifying a standard dialysis solution comprising the steps of:

formulating two or more solution parts of the standard dialysis solution wherein the solution parts at least include a dextrose concentrate and a buffer concentrate;

separately sterilizing the dextrose concentrate and the buffer concentrate at a pH of less than 7.0; and

mixing the dextrose concentrate and the buffer concentrate to produce a modified standard dialysis solution.

30 31. The method of Claim 30 wherein the modified standard dialysis solution includes fewer glucose degradation products than the standard dialysis solution.

32. The method of Claim 31 wherein the glucose degradation products are selected from the group consisting of 5-hydroxymethyl furfural, 3-deoxyglucasone, glyoxal, methylglyoxal, acetaldehyde and combinations thereof.

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- 33. The method of Claim 30 wherein the modified standard dialysis solution includes a solution composition that is substantially the same as the standard dialysis solution except for the glucose degradation products.
- 10 34. The method of Claim 30 wherein the modified standard dialysis solution includes about 1.5% to about 4.25% of dextrose.
 - 35. The method of Claim 30 wherein the modified standard dialysis solution further includes sodium, calcium, magnesium, chloride, and lactate.

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- 36. The method of Claim 30 wherein the dextrose concentrate is sterilized at a pH that ranges from about 2.8 to about 3.8.
- 37. The method of Claim 30 wherein the buffer concentrate includes a lactate-based concentrate.
 - 38. The method of Claim 37 wherein the lactate-based concentrate includes sodium lactate and sodium chloride.
- 25 39. The method of Claim 30 wherein the dextrose concentrate includes dextrose, calcium chloride and magnesium chloride.
- 40. A method of providing dialysis to a patient comprising the steps of:
 mixing an acidic dextrose concentrate and an acidic buffer solution to form a
 30 ready-to-use dialysis solution wherein the acidic dextrose concentrate and the acidic buffer concentrate are separately sterilized prior to mixing; and

using the ready-to-use dialysis solution during dialysis.

- 41. The method of Claim 40 wherein the ready-to-use dialysis solution is used as a dialysate.
- 5 42. The method of Claim 40 wherein the ready-to-use dialysis solution is infused into the patient during peritoneal dialysis.
 - 43. The method of Claim 40 wherein the acidic dextrose concentrate includes dextrose, calcium chloride, and magnesium chloride.

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- 44. The method of Claim 40 wherein the acidic buffer concentrate includes a lactate-based concentrate a pH less than about 5.5.
- 45. The method of Claim 40 wherein the acidic solution has a pH ranging from about 2.8 to about 3.8.